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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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1. LIKE EMBASSY LUSAKA, WE ENDORSE AMBASSADOR BOLEN'S RECOMMEN-
DATION THAT DEPARTMENT DO STUDY OF ECONOMIC INTEGRATION OR
COOPERATION AMONG VARIOUS SOUTHERN AFRICAN STATES. ALSO CONCUR
WITH EMBASSY LUSAKA'S COMMENTS.

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WM WHILE MODERATE VIEWS MIGHT PREVAIL IN SUCH LARGE GROUPING

OF COUNTRIES, WITH DIFFERENT IDEOLOGIES AND INTERESTS, WE BELIEVE STUDY SHOULD ALSO ADDRESS TO PROS AND CONS IN TERMS OF EFFECTS ON US INTERESTS. ONE DISADVANTAGE COULD BE THAT OF RADICAL VIEWS PREVAILING. ALTHOUGH IT MAY BE STILL TOO EARLY TO SEE WHAT DIRECTION ANGOLA WILL GO, IT IS CONCEIVABLE IT COULD SIDE WITH "RADICAL" TANZANIA AND MOZAMBIQUE--A COALITION WHICH WOULD BE IN PARTICULARLY STRONG GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION TO EXERT PRESSURE ON MORE MODERATE LANDLOCKED COUNTRIES.

3. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO EXPLORE BRITISH AND PORTUGUESE VIEWS IN GENERAL TERMS PRIOR TO FINAL STUDY.

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